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MPs call for Palace 'leak' dismissals

By Philip Webster, Chief Political Correspondent

Conservative MPs yesterday demanded the dismissal of advisers at Buckingham Palace who were behind the report that the Queen is dismayed at Mrs Margaret Thatcher's policy on South Africa.

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Prince Andrew and Miss Sarah Ferguson talk about their future in a television programme on BBC and ITV tonight.

'Thatcher factor' hits City

By David Smith, Economics Correspondent

Shares and the pound fell sharply again yesterday amid mounting City concern over the Government's electoral prospects.

Peres in Morocco for peace talks with King Hassan

From Ian Murray, Jerusalem

Mr Shimon Peres, the Israeli Prime Minister, flew to Morocco last night for a meeting with King Hassan, the current chairman of the Arab League.

The party before the wedding

By Alan Hamilton

Major Ronald Ferguson, who as father of the bride has been relieved of the customary burden of paying for his daughter's marriage, last night hosted his daughter, Princess Anne, the Queen and other members of the royal family at a pre-wedding party on Smith's Lawn, the polo ground in Windsor Great Park.

Portfolio

The Times Portfolio Gold daily competition prize was won yesterday by Mr P. Leyland of Caversfield, Oxfordshire. He received £12,000, treble the usual amount, because no one had won on the two previous days.

A £2m bill for boycott countries

By Ronald Faux

As the number of nations boycotting the Commonwealth Games in Edinburgh approached the halfway mark yesterday, Mr Robert Maxwell, co-chairman of the Games announced that countries boycotting the sports would receive a £2 million bill.

£100m cut in one-off benefits

By Nicholas Wood, Political Reporter

A social security crackdown aimed at saving £100 million a year by curbing one-off payments for household goods was announced yesterday by Mr Anthony Newton, Minister for Social Security.

Guerrillas on the attack

Action Directe claimed responsibility for a car bomb explosion outside the OECD offices in Paris. In Madrid, Eta were blamed for a rocket attack.

Channel plea

Sealink, the Channel ferry operator, is to seek up to £100 million from the Government in compensation for loss of business caused by the proposed Channel tunnel.

Life terms

Sydney Noble, known as 'Dr Death' because of the way he drugged elderly women and stole from them, was given six life sentences.

Degree results

Degrees awarded by the universities of East Anglia and Sussex and first-class degrees from the University of Wales are published today.

Home News

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Retail sales soar

Wall Street gain 17, Stock Market report 19

that Mrs Thatcher should aim for a 1986 election, have been interpreted as signs of the Government's increasing vulnerability.

Body on railway link to missing woman

By Nicholas Beeston

The body of a woman was discovered near a railway embankment in Hertfordshire yesterday, two miles from the home of Mrs Anne Lock, a secretary at London Weekend Television who disappeared two months ago.

California hit by new quake

Bishop, California (AP) - An earthquake rumbled through a wide region of central California yesterday, destroying homes and opening fissures that stranded campers and swallowed a pickup lorry.

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TSB campaigns for a million buyers

By Richard Thomson, Banking Correspondent

The Trustee Savings Bank announced yesterday the start of a new publicity campaign leading up to a mid-September stock market flotation when the bank hopes to attract more than a million share holders.

Post Office privatization hint

Mr Paul Channon, Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, strongly hinted last night at plans to privatize parts of the Post Office, which the Government has been reluctant to commit itself to selling.

Post Office privatization hint

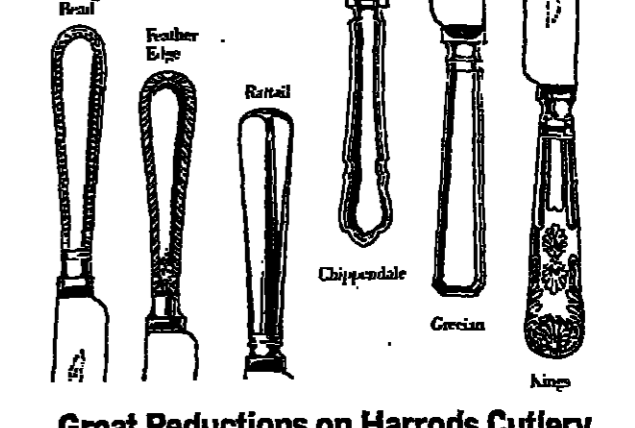
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MPs say health service cuts are disguised as efficiency savings

By Sheila Gunn, Political Staff

The public accounts committee rebuked health officials yesterday for hiding cuts in patient services under the guise of "efficiency savings". The rebuke came as Mr Norman Fowler, Secretary of State for Social Services, launched a drive to cut hospital waiting lists by better use of existing resources.

Health hazards of royal approval

By Thomson Prentice, Science Correspondent

The interests of the Prince and Princess of Wales in medicine do not always have healthy results, a specialist in addition said yesterday. Doctors can suffer the "spotless syndrome" in which controversial forms of treatment become fashionable because of the royal couple's involvement.

£300,000 for drug overdose

A boy aged eight who suffered severe brain damage after being given the wrong medical treatment for a cough when he was awarded £300,000 agreed damages in the High Court yesterday.

Doctor struck off for murder cover-up

A doctor who helped to cover up the murder of his brother's wife was ordered to be struck off the Medical Register in London yesterday. Mrs Amrajit Sethi, aged 32, was murdered in 1983.

Fowler 'acted unfairly' on health scientist job

A government microbiologist who was dismissed from his £27,000-a-year post after a U-turn by Mr Norman Fowler, Secretary of State for Social Services, won a High Court battle against the decision yesterday.

New cash for lung disease studies

also to be examined in projects funded by the British Lung Foundation. Research into lung diseases receives little funding in Britain although about four million people suffer from respiratory conditions including chronic bronchitis, emphysema and asthma.

Court places £200 price tag on yucca plant

The farcical case of the 10ft yucca plant "monstrosity" which grew to the centre of a legal row, reached a happy conclusion yesterday. Mrs Jennifer Dean, a City banker's wife, had been pining after her "beautiful" horticultural masterpiece from the front of her £250,000 mews house in February.



Nina Semizorava (left) and Alla Mikhailchenko, dancers with the Bolshoi Ballet, which opens its British tour tonight at Covent Garden.

People's ballet in a 4,000-seat tent

The Bolshoi Ballet opens its British tour tonight with a performance of Ivan the Terrible at a royal charity premiere in the presence of the Princess of Wales at the Royal Opera House, London.

Computer to cut fingerprint delay

A fingerprint computer that can sort through 20,000 prints a second and could help to identify suspects from previously unsolved crimes was launched yesterday by a British company.

Plumber's £7,000 award lost

An apprentice plumber who lost his job after being sent to borstal lost a £7,000 compensation award in the Court of Appeal yesterday.

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Canberra virus may have been traced

Health experts believe they have found the virus that left more than 600 people ill on the past five cruises of the P & O liner, Canberra. They say it probably caused the outbreaks of vomiting and diarrhoea among passengers and crew.

Two burnt in flats blast

An elderly couple were burnt and two women pensioners blown from their beds when an explosion ripped through a block of old people's flats in Reading, Berkshire, yesterday.

Hoax trial

Kelvin Buckingham, aged 20, who is charged with making a bomb hoax call to Selfridges in Oxford Street on February 21, was committed for trial by Highbury magistrates yesterday.

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'Dr Death' is given six life sentences for preying on the elderly

The sinister criminal career of Sydney Noble, the notorious "Dr Death" who preyed on sick and frail elderly women, came to a halt yesterday when a judge passed six life sentences on him.

Noble, aged 58, grinned as he left the dock at the Central Criminal Court where, in addition to the life terms, he was given jail sentences totalling 27 years for drugging elderly women and stealing from them.

Noble, of no fixed address, shrugged his shoulders as the Common Serjeant Judge Thomas Pigg, QC, told him: "You administered stupefying drugs with intent to steal. Using your glib tongue you posed as a doctor and entered into people's confidences. With grandiose talk you tricked innocent and honest people whose lives you put in peril."

Noble, who pretended to be a caring doctor, chose victims who normally lived alone and stalked them carefully.

His trademark was a bag of assorted "knock-out" drugs, most of which he obtained from the bathroom cabinets of his victims.

He persuaded his victims that he could cure their ailments and they trusted him when he produced what he said was a "revolutionary

miracle pill" and urged them to swallow it.

When they became unconscious he rifled pockets, purses and desks, taking what cash and valuables he could find.

Several victims ended up in hospital for days - many of them remembering little of the time they met the "doctor".

With the loot he stole he was able to live luxuriously, staying in south coast hotels and impressing other residents with tales of wealth.

The court was told that he possessed "a bizarre and unique" imagination, pretending he was a multimillionaire property dealer, deep-sea diver, bookmaker or electronics expert.



Sydney Noble: Pretended to be a caring doctor.

His reign of terror ended with his arrest in July last year. Noble walked into an estate agent's office in Woking, Surrey, claiming to be "Dr Clark" and said he wanted to buy a house to use as a home and surgery. An assistant at the office, Mrs Maureen Bashford, became suspicious. Police were alerted and Noble was captured.

By the time of his arrest he was wanted for questioning by detectives from six county forces as well as officers from Scotland Yard. Detectives believe his "career total" of victims numbers 200 over the years.

Noble's career in crime began at the age of 11, and in 1978 he was dubbed "Dr Death" when jailed for 10 years for drugging and robbing old women.

He failed to return to a Sussex prison from weekend leave last summer and once again went on a crime spree, posing as a specialist in treating arthritis and rheumatism.

He pleaded guilty to 16 offences of administering dangerous drugs, theft, forgery and false pretences.

Mr David Cocks, QC, for the prosecution, said Noble drugged five women aged between 58 and 84 and a man of 85. He took cash and cheque-books.



Mr Christopher Tugendhat (right), chairman of the Civil Aviation Authority, and Mr Richard Noble, chairman of ARV, with the ARV Super 2 light aircraft at Heathrow yesterday. Mr Tugendhat handed over the aircraft type-certificate of airworthiness for the first all-British model for decades. The two-seat aircraft with two-stroke liquid-cooled engine and costing about £26,000, will meet the substantial growth in leisure and private flying. (Photograph: Peter Trievnor)

Manchester airport sets up as rival to London

By Our Transport Editor

Manchester airport opened a £7 million terminal yesterday in an attempt to attract more traffic from London and ease the capital's looming night flights.

The new terminal will substantially increase Manchester's attraction as a rival gateway to London for US and other traffic. It will help to boost the airport's capacity to handle nine mil-

lion passengers, from the present seven million.

At the opening ceremony, Mr John Moore, Secretary of State for Transport, declined to comment on last week's recommendation by the Civil Aviation Authority that night flying restrictions at Heathrow and Gatwick should be eased to cope with ever-increasing flights in the London area.

He accepted that Manchester had scored a "breakthrough" in establishing itself as a key "hub and spoke" airport whose traffic had already doubled in less than 10 years and was set to continue.

Manchester serves more than 50 foreign destinations. The airport's authority is being separated from local authority as part of the airports privatization. It is seeking new rights to give it four more designations as a US gateway to Britain alongside London.

That would help to attract more US airlines which are keen to become established there in an attempt to expand Atlantic flights to Britain and Europe.

Mr Gil Thompson, Manchester's chief executive, said the airport, which has a runway capable of handling any aircraft, could provide a valuable relief valve to assist the Government to relieve congestion in the London area.

Airline shift to Gatwick refused

By David Sapsted

A scheme to force regional airlines to shift move from Heathrow to Gatwick to ease congestion has been rejected by the Government. Instead, an independent study is to be held to see whether efficiency improvements can boost the capacity of London's two main airports.

Mr Michael Spicer, the minister for aviation, gave warning there could be limits imposed on new scheduled services and charter flights if the overcrowding reached crisis point. But he emphasized that no such restrictions were envisaged in the immediate future.

Mr Spicer explained yesterday that the Government had rejected the Civil Aviation Authority recommendation to force the regional services to move, on political and social grounds. The authority, worried that Heathrow is approaching saturation point, had considered the problem only in aviation terms, the minister said.

The services threatened with the move - from Jersey, Guernsey, Plymouth, Newcastle, Inverness, Dundee, Carlisle and the Isle of Man - were vital to the business and industrial prospects of the regions.

Putting women on right rails

By Mark Dowd

Young girls should be given more toy trains and meccano sets to stimulate an interest in engineering, according to Mr David Martin, editor of *Tunnels and Tunnelling*.

In the current edition of the monthly magazine, he says that the engineering profession has a poor image compared with law and medicine. The relatively poor salaries also deterred the most talented women.

"This is a very great pity as their ability and skill is sorely needed," he says. "While the position is slowly improving, it is not improving fast enough in a society that depends for its high standard of living more on the skill of engineers than almost anyone else."

Unless more women specialized in mathematics and physics at school and choose engineering at university, it was not the fault of employers if there were not enough women responding to advertisements for engineers.

"Women are accepted as equals in most other professions - teaching, medicine, the law, journalism and TV, so why not in the tunnelling industry?" he asks.

Engineering staff at Leeds University are convening a special "Women in Engineering" conference at the end of September for 250 fifth and sixth form students.

Home sale boom continues

By Christopher Warman Property Correspondent

More houses were sold during the past three months than in any comparable period since November 1982. The Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors says its housing survey of the quarter ending on June 30 shows one of the busiest markets for years is continuing its momentum.

But many of the 222 estate agents surveyed reported that the balance between supply and demand had evened out and that the frantic pace of the past few months began to die down in the second half of June as the summer holidays approached.

House price increases followed the pattern of the previous quarter, with more than half the agents reporting an increase of 2 per cent, one quarter reporting rises of 5 per cent and 5 per cent noting rises of 8 per cent.

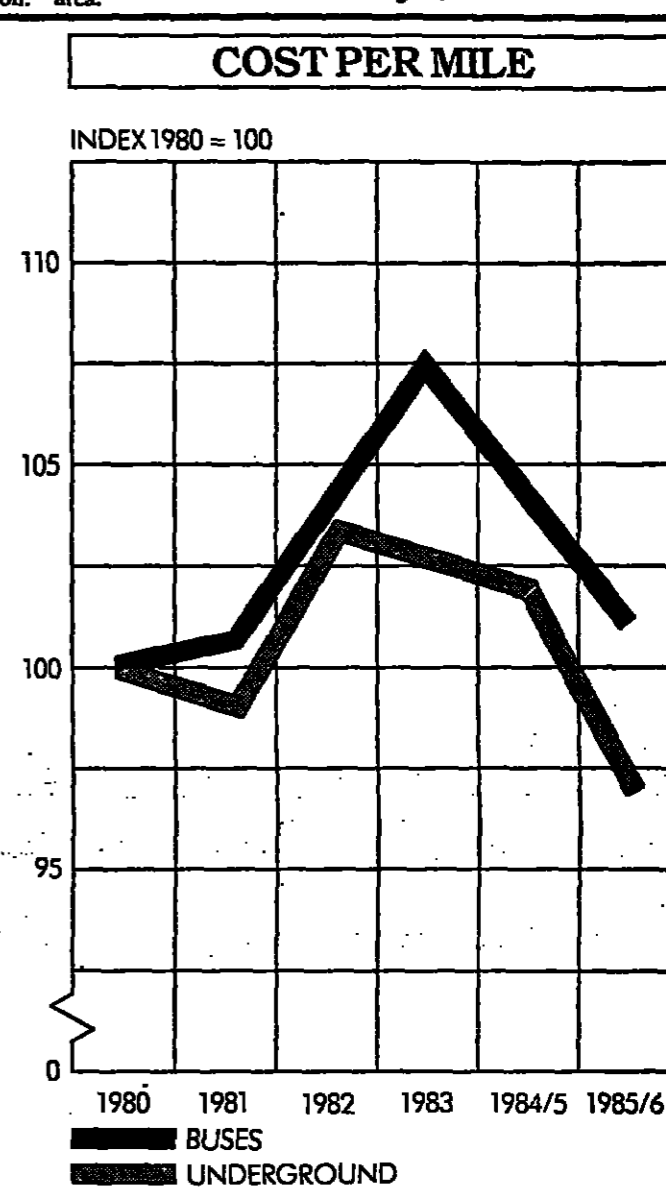
Mr John Thomas, the institution's housing market spokesman, said: "Influences such as the drop in oil revenue and the value of the pound may soon be felt, along with the usual uncertainty brought on by a possible 1987 election."

"Nevertheless the housing market is showing remarkable resilience and chartered surveyor estate agents predict continuing healthy activity."

"The financial targets set for London Regional Transport soon after its formation in June 1984, were demanding enough to convince many critics that achievement must inevitably result in drastic cuts in services and heavy loss of passengers. I am delighted to say the critics were wrong."

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Town and country tourism: 2 Resorts banking on late arrivals

Bad weather and a trend towards later holidays have meant a poor season for the traditional seaside resorts. But Nicholas Beeston finds an air of optimism pervading local tourist bureaux

Poor weather and late bookings contributed to a generally poor start for the tourist season at traditional English coastal resorts. But the pace is expected to pick up this week as schools break up and the weather improves.

Of the five busiest seaside tourist centres, only Blackpool reported good results for the early summer. Its tourist board predicted earnings from visitors would be 5 per cent up on last year's £250 million.

"We are not breaking any records at the moment, but we expect to start this week and carry on until November. We learnt 100 years ago to expect rain and we have invested heavily on indoor entertainments, which will always keep us popular."

But Torbay expects to be 10 per cent down on last year's 10.3 million visitors.

"We call this coastline the English Riviera and we are heavily dependent on good weather, so April, May and June were poor months for us," the tourist board said.

Business had picked up markedly in July, and August was expected to be busy, but the board described 1986 as "patchy and difficult".

The divisional chairman of the British Hotels, Restaurants and Caterers Association, Mr Graham Grose, who owns the Thurlstone Hotel in Kingsbridge, Devon, said: "We are experiencing a downturn on last year, but a healthy increase on 1984."

"Because we had such an appalling spring many visitors are leaving their bookings to the last minute, which is giving hoteliers heart failure;

everyone is basically running two months behind schedule."

For the traditional family resorts in the North, such as Great Yarmouth and Scarborough, the coming weeks, as the season peaks, will be crucial.

The tourist board at Great Yarmouth said the recession in the North was still making it difficult for families to take holidays, and that June and July had been disappointing months. "Advance bookings for August are much better and self-catering accommodation is more popular this year, although the hotels appear to be suffering."

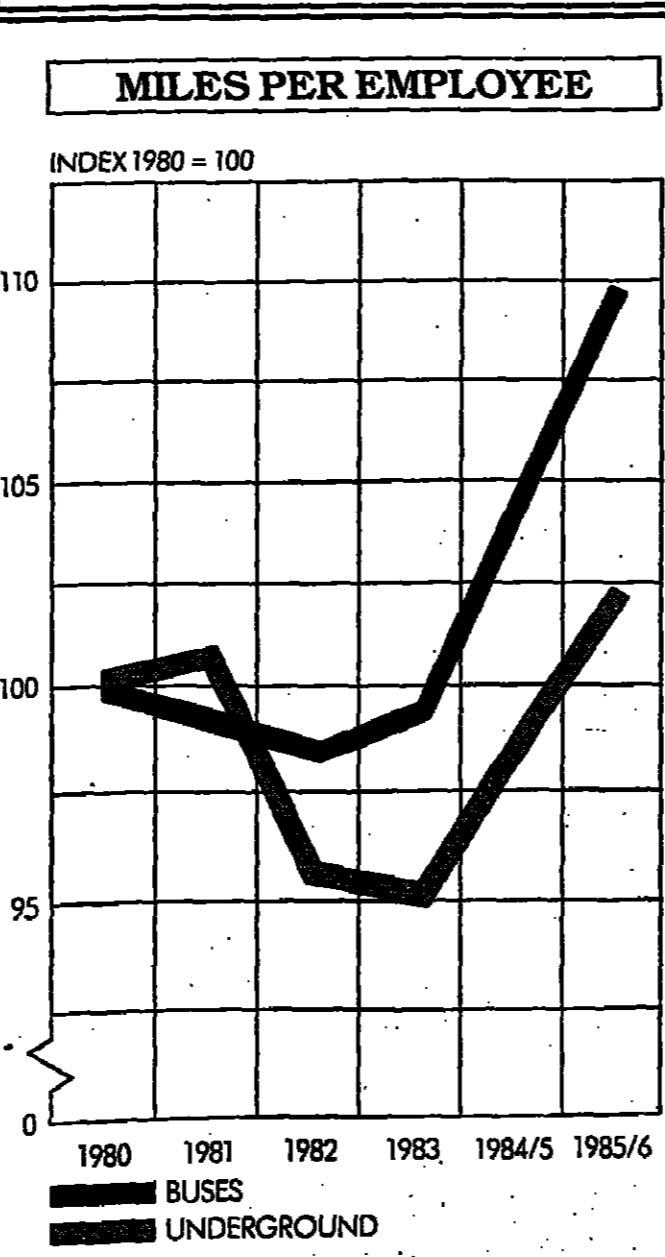
The board predicted that the resort would be able to maintain its 1984 figure of five million tourist nights. Scarborough blamed the prolonged winter for putting off holiday makers at the start of the season, but said hotels had benefited from a heavy demand for business conferences.

Bournemouth reported that indecisive tourists were making last-minute bookings and that the quiet start to the summer was improving.

"There appears to be a trend towards later holidays this year and we expect to have visitors through to September and October, so we should be able to match last year's tourist earnings of £200 million."

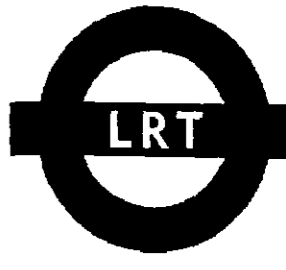
Bulfin's, one of the largest tourist operators, predicted that visitors to holiday camps would be 4 or 5 per cent up this year, with particularly strong demand for their new resort centres, such as Westworld in Somerset, with a 36 per cent rise in bookings. Concluded

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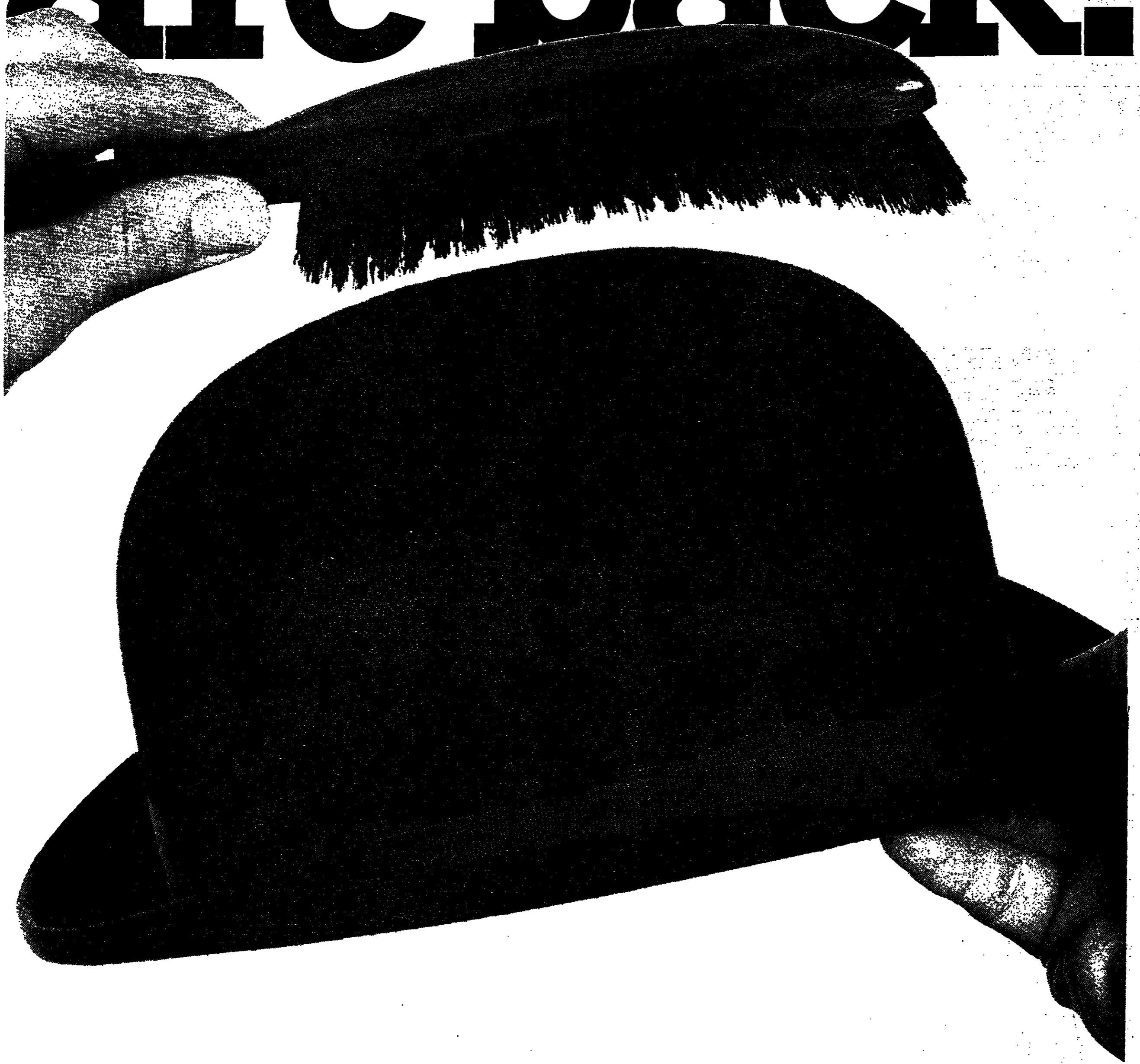
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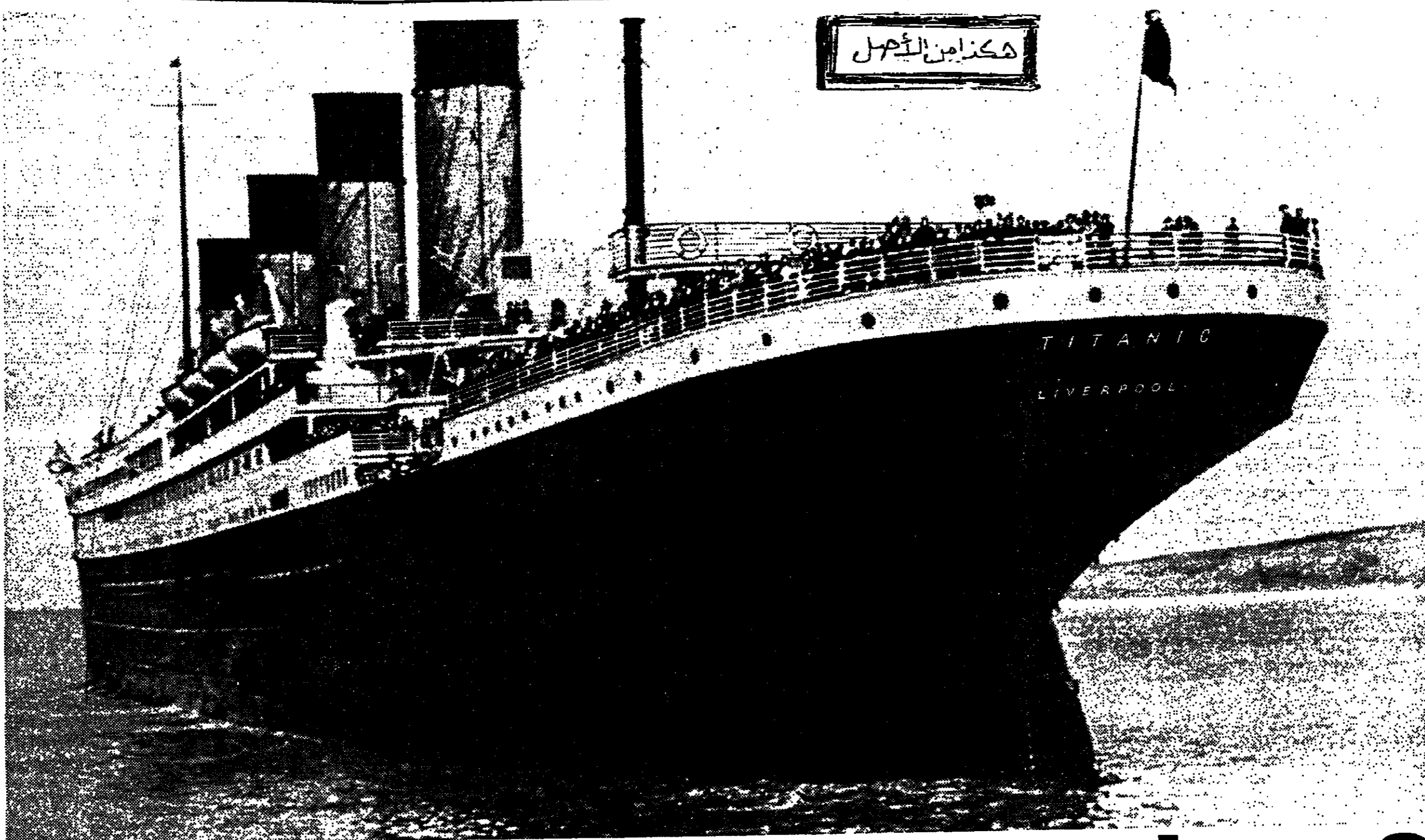
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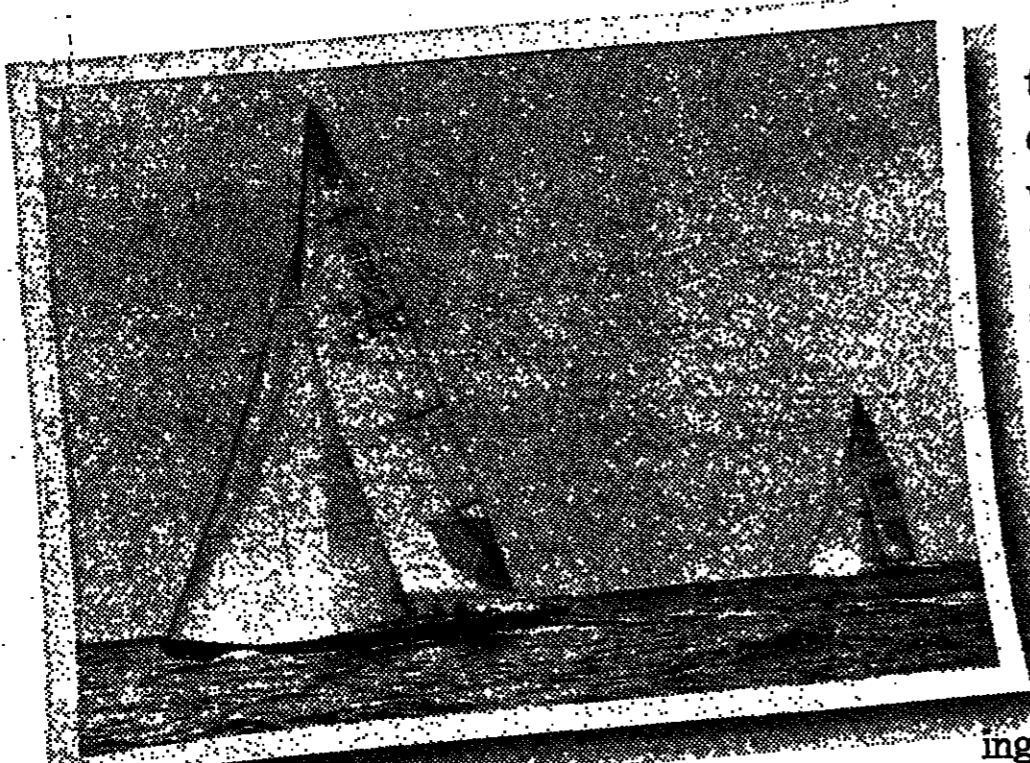
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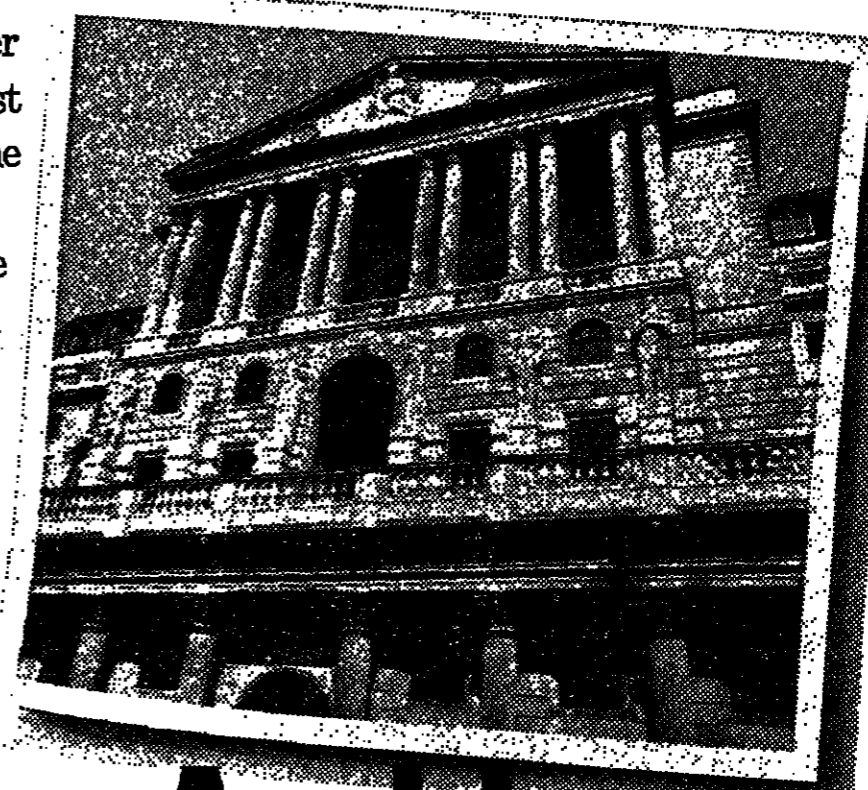


A crew here.

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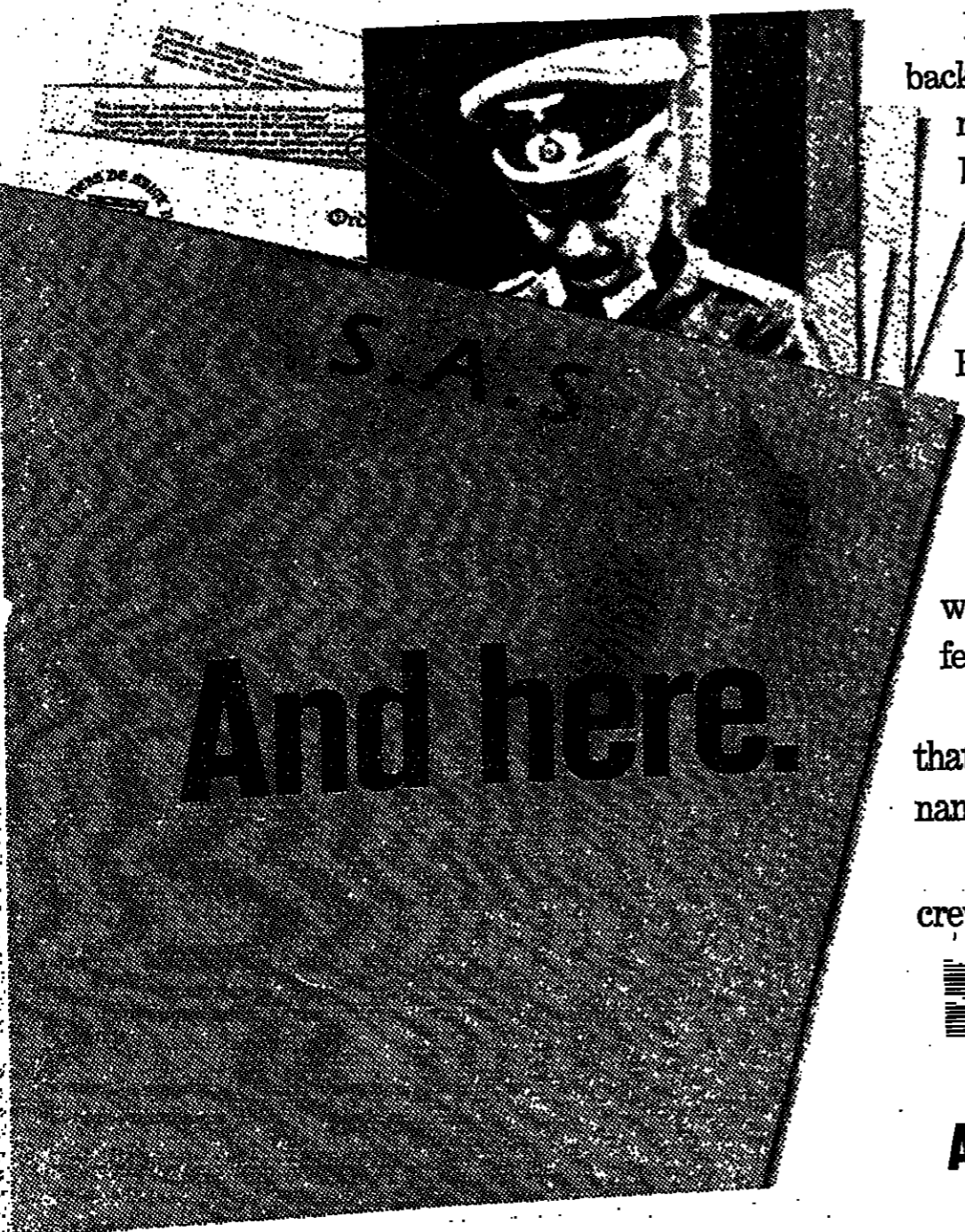
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SPECTRUM

A small circle of good companions



Prince Andrew and his bride have different friends because of their differing backgrounds.

But, as Christopher Wilson found, each can count on a group of close, loyal confidantes

Prince Andrew's and Sarah Ferguson's separate and distinctive choice of friends highlights the difference between a young Prince determined to discover all walks of life and a young woman contented with those most familiar to her.

Sarah Ferguson, growing up in a typical English village, working on the farm and generally mucking in with everyone else, came to understand her position in the strange pecking-order that is English country life.

The choosing and making of friends was much more difficult for Prince Andrew. His father's choice of Gordonstoun for his education had its merits and drawbacks: few of his school friends lasted into adult life because of the very disparity of background that prompted his father's choice of school in the first place.

There have been a few exceptions, however. Aside from his friends in the Royal Navy, where close relationships develop under stress and dilute with a new posting, probably the Prince's closest companion is Charlie Young, a contemporary from his public school days.

Through it falls to Prince Edward to be Andrew's supporter at his wedding. It was Young, the exuberant 28-year-old son of a Midlands hardware manufacturer, who helped to organize the Prince's stag party.

Young was Andrew's senior at school, where he was put in charge of the young Prince's welfare. Their friendship deepened after both left Gordonstoun, and when Andrew found himself in London between postings, it was to Young that he turned for his social life. He helped Prince Andrew in his determination to discover a wider circle than, say, his older brother did. Through him, the Prince met Koo Stark, the American actress with whom he enjoyed a relationship lasting two years.

For a time she served as an unofficial hostess for the Prince, introducing him to models and others of London's beau monde. Not all her introductions were a success, however: one dinner party included the Old Etonian commodity broker Justin Frenen, a nephew of Viscount Selby. Frenen was later jailed for two years on fraud charges.

The Prince's interest in photography, which he shared with Miss Stark, arose not from his proximity to the professional activities of the Earls of Lichfield and Snowden but from the Queen herself, still an enthusiastic camerawoman. But his latent skills were encouraged and developed by an American, Gene Nocon, who became a friend and adviser five years ago.

Nocon runs the Photographer's Workshop in London and took some of the official photographs for the Royal engagement, along with Terence Donovan and Prince Andrew himself. But his influence on Andrew has been as a printer, demonstrating the effects which can be created in the darkroom after the picture has been taken. Their relationship, though close, remains on a commercial basis: Nocon is paid for the time spent helping to produce Andrew's pictures.

Another Gordonstoun friend, Rupert Beckwith-Smith, is the brother of Carolyn Beckwith-Smith, in whose Clapham house Sarah Ferguson lived until the announcement of the Royal engagement. Among the Prince's early girlfriends was another Gordonstoun contemporary, Clio Nathaniels, whose father, the architect Ray Nathaniels, is based in Nassau. She became a visitor to Windsor Castle.

Once free from the constraints of his hardy education, however, the Prince largely turned elsewhere for his company. Clio Nathaniels was followed by the daughter of a nurse, Kirstie Richmond, who was invited by the Queen to Balmoral and Sandringham. She, in turn, was followed by Carolyn Seaward, the beauty queen and former Miss United Kingdom.

Other young women who became part of the Prince's circle ranged from Carolyn Herbert, the daughter of Lord Portchester, Royal racing manager (she later enjoyed a close friendship with the jockey Steve Cauthen), to a businesswoman, Xenia Howard-Johnson.

Through each of them, Prince Andrew met many young people from sections of society that had previously been foreign to him. He particularly enjoyed the friendships of the model and actress Katie Rabett, the actress Finola Hughes and the model Clare Park because of the different worlds to which they gave him access.

In each case he chose people who were outside his restricted family circle and, you might say, unkindly, his class. Only in Sarah did he return to the more familiar waters of Debutant and Burke.

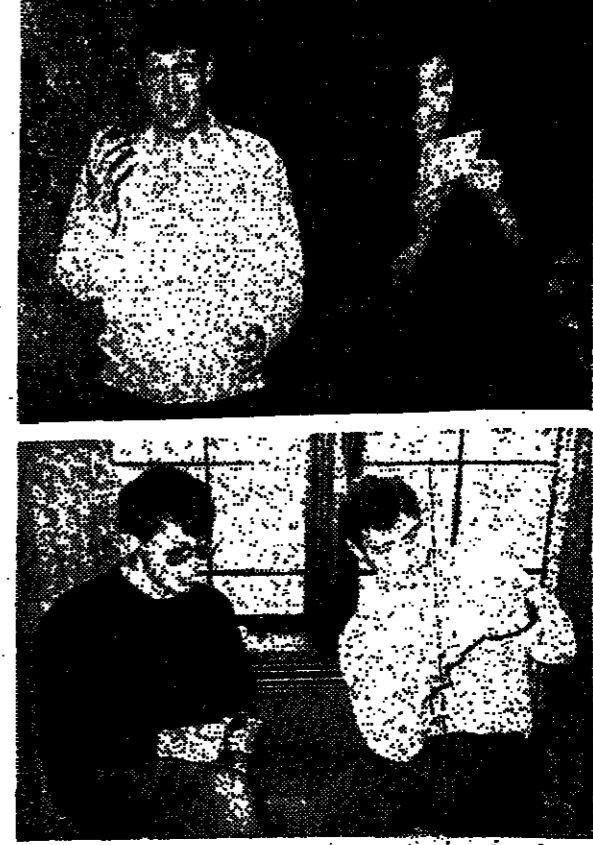
It has to be said that, although Prince Andrew's name was connected with a number of pretty girls, he was rarely photographed



HIS: Carolyn Beckwith-Smith (top); Charles Young (above) with Ricci Lewis



Girls left behind: (top) Carolyn Herbert, daughter of the Queen's racing manager; (above) actress Koo Stark; model Katie Rabett



In camera: Finola Hughes (top) appeared in his calendar; Gene Nocon helps in the darkroom



HERS (from left): the Duke and Duchess of Roxburgh, who provided the setting for the royal proposal; Laura Smith-Bingham with Sarah Ferguson, whose former boyfriend she married; travelling companion Charlotte Eden; rock singer Lady Teresa Manners (top), former debutante Lain Blacker, and the Princess of Wales

in their company. Unlike his elder brother, who suffered irritating public speculation each time he escorted a new companion to the theatre or to a charity function, the Prince was rarely seen in the company of those girls it was claimed he favoured. He preferred private dinner parties and occasional visits to night-clubs like Annabel's: his reputation as a womanizer was much exaggerated.

Sarah Ferguson, by contrast, rarely strayed outside her own social sphere. One of her closest friends after leaving Hurst Lodge, her Sunningdale school, was Charlotte Eden, daughter of the former MP for Bourne-mouth, Lord Eden. At the age of 21, the two girls toured South America together for a year, staying first with Sarah's mother and her polo-player husband, Hector Barrantes, on their sprawling estate in Argentina, then taking a bus across the continent before flying home. Charlotte subsequently married one of Lord McGowan's sons, becoming a farmer's wife.

Sarah's more recent friends include the Duke of Rutland's rock-singer daughter, Lady Teresa Manners; her cousin, Lucy Manners, who is the daughter of Lord

John Manners, the former Life Guards officer and High Sheriff for Leicestershire; and the former debutante, Clare Wentworth-Stanley and Lulu Blacker.

Her social circuit was that followed by many girls on the fringe of the debutante world, enjoying the cocktail parties, house parties and balls given by ambitious mothers without actually labelling themselves as deb's.

Sarah is godmother to the daughter of Vanessa Llewellyn, a niece of the Duke of Norfolk, who is married to the entrepreneur Dai Llewellyn. Her close friend and confidante during her unofficial romance with Prince Andrew was Carolyn Beckwith-Smith, a landowner's daughter who ran a business with Lady Settrington, the wife of the Duke of Richmond and Gordon's eventual heir, Lord Settrington. They would take wealthy clients round London showing them the sights and the shops.

One rather more exotic friend is Florence Belmondo, the lissom daughter of the French actor Jean-Paul Belmondo: they met at school. The two women enjoyed a holiday recently on Antigua as Sarah Ferguson recovered from the immense blast of publicity

which followed the announcement of her engagement.

But perhaps her closest friend is the Princess of Wales, who can claim responsibility for the engagement in the first place, having invited Sarah to a Windsor Castle house party during Royal Ascot week, at which she and Prince Andrew first became attracted to each other.

Sarah Ferguson's two well-publicized romances were less ambitious than Andrew's a sports executive, Kim Smith-Bingham, and a motor-racing consultant, Paddy McNally, whose children she helped to look after during a three-year relationship. Both men came firmly from within her own social world.

Through Smith-Bingham, a 29-year-old Old Etonian she met in Argentina while in her teens, she discovered the fashionable Swiss ski resort of Verbier, where he would take her on his business trips as a representative of a sportswear company. She spoke French and improved her skiing to a very respectable standard.

The relationship lasted three years, foundering through the couple living in separate countries

and following different styles of life. Smith-Bingham has since married and has a one-year-old daughter, but he and Sarah remain close friends and he will be a guest at the wedding.

Far more serious was her relationship with the former journalist and sporting entrepreneur Paddy McNally. A Stonyhurst-educated widower with two teenage sons and a chalet in Verbier. He used to manage the Formula One world champion Niki Lauda and is now a motor-racing consultant and entrepreneur based in Geneva. The relationship ended when Sarah decided it was unlikely to lead to marriage.

In general, the close friends of Andrew and Sarah are drawn from outside both the professional classes and the hard core of British aristocracy, though the couple do owe a debt of gratitude to the Duke and Duchess of Roxburgh, who provided the romantic backdrop of Floors Castle in Roxburghshire for the final sealing of their relationship and the Prince's proposal of marriage.

The duke, a former Blues and Royals officer who saw service in Ulster before going to Cambridge to take an economics degree, is five years older than Prince An-

draw, but the two men have known each other on the social circuit north of the border for many years.

When the time came for Andrew's proposal of marriage, it was Roxburgh who suggested that the couple should be guests at his Vanbrugh-designed castle, set in 60,000 acres. He and his wife, the sister of the Duke of Westminster, have been rewarded for their unique hospitality in a charming way: their daughter, Lady Rosamagh Innes-Kerr, will be the only young attendant at the Royal Wedding not directly related to the bride or groom.

Although both the Prince and future Princess are 26, an age at which most young people have acquired a nucleus of friends to last throughout adulthood, neither has acquired an easily identifiable "set". The restless nature of Andrew's career in the Royal Navy has not helped; nor has Sarah's wanderings in America and on the ski slopes of Europe. A home and future together are likely to change that.

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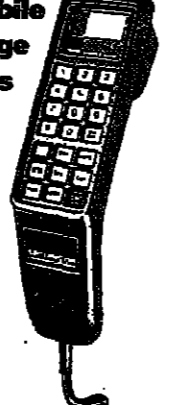
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Whipping up a publishing whirlwind

Michael O'Mara is set to become a very rich man. He is aiming to turn publishing timescales on their head by producing "the fastest book ever".

And even if Sarah Ferguson makes a unique contribution to history and discovers just cause or impediment as to why she should not be joined in holy matrimony, O'Mara will not be caught out. He has taken out £500,000 of insurance against such an eventuality - a figure which, in spite of his reluctance to discuss the magnitude of his potential profits, gives a clue to the reward involved as publisher (or architect) of the book.

The rise and rise of Michael O'Mara could almost be a fairy-tale, if it didn't involve so much hard cash. Eighteen months ago he opened for business in his south London bedroom cum office, equipped with just a typewriter. But O'Mara was no novice writer waiting for the big break.

Originally from Philadelphia, he had worked in publishing for almost 20 years and been deputy chairman of Weidenfeld and Nicolson. "We produced 200 books a year", he says. "We had a selling staff of eight and a publicity department of two. I decided the only way to do it was fewer books, more effort."

He decided to make the break in June last year after having lunch with Bill Hodgson, director of development at ITN. Hodgson mentioned that a special programme was being produced to celebrate the Queen Mother's birthday, then 35 days away. O'Mara suggested a book tie-in. It normally takes at least nine months to produce such a project, but five weeks later the book appeared - Sir

There is big money in the book that goes on sale only nine days after tomorrow's ceremony, reports Yvonne Roberts

Alastair Burrett having produced 20,000 words of text within seven days. It stayed in the best-seller lists for eight weeks.

More importantly, O'Mara's reputation had apparently been made, at least by royal word of mouth. The Palace asked if he would be interested in producing a book out of the long interview to be conducted by Sir Alastair with the Prince and Princess of Wales. At first O'Mara thought it was a joke.

"Charles and Diana obviously saw it as a sort of 'Empire Strikes Back'", he says. "Fleet Street had made a lot of money out of them, now

they wanted to make a lot for charity."

The book, along with its sequel, due to be published in September, will probably raise more than £1.5 million for the Prince of Wales Trust.

It also established his winning formula: high-gloss Italian paper for the coffee-table look; almost three times as many colour photographs as usual at a low price (£7.95 for the first Charles-and-Di extended interview); photographs by Tim Graham; elegant text by Sir Alastair; total control by the Palace and high-speed production.

British sales have so far surpassed 300,000 for In Person: The Prince and Princess of Wales. O'Mara says that if The ITN Book of the Royal Wedding sells 150,000 he will be more than happy - this one will be all for profit.

His royal output has put him in a privileged position. He knew about the engagement two weeks before it was announced in March. He also knows what the dress will look like. And a series of informal photographs have also been taken of the royal couple.

So far, 96 pages of the book have been prepared. The remaining 32 are what will make publishing history. Tomorrow, O'Mara will spend several



Instant success: Michael O'Mara and his wife, Leslie

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The royal dress in my attic



Lindka Cierach, designer of the royal wedding dress, talks about her work and her relationship with Sarah Ferguson as millions wait to see a gown that is likely to reflect the art-loving bride's vision of herself as a Gainsborough lady



'Sarah was absolute bliss, she let me get on with it; whatever I did was fine by her ...'

LINDKA CIERACH, above

It all started, says Lindka Cierach, from a silhouette. "Two months ago the basic design was there but it is only when I had fitted the toile against the flesh that I knew what I had to do."

The wedding dress of the year is in the attic studio of Lindka's neat terraced house. She is giving it the finishing touches, especially "the most difficult bits in the bodice area".

For the first time the dress for a royal wedding is being orchestrated by a designer with the same tastes, background and style as the bride. Instead of the reverential courier-couturier, we have a 33 year-old woman in safari trousers, a white T-shirt and a merry smile.

The approach came from Sarah, who rang up Lindka and asked her to submit sketches. "I knew her socially a little but I wanted to see her, to establish a rapport. A wedding dress is such a personal thing, it is very important to get the bride's personality into it."

Lindka Cierach's most striking wedding dresses have incorporated unusual materials such as fur and jewels, inspired by her favourite period of history.

"I love Renaissance textures and embroideries", she explains. "I studied history of art. I never have time now to go through paintings and books, but those ideas are stored up and memories of wonderful necklines and sleeves come pouring out."

The inspiration flowed when Sarah Ferguson gave her the wedding dress commission and they "slimmed down" her original sketches to just two ideas. Lindka was then able to give full rein to her own imagination. "With

Sarah it has been absolute bliss," she says. "She basically said to get on with it and whatever I did was fine by her."

Lindka is self-taught, apart from a very brief spell at the London College of Fashion and with Valentino in Rome. Her attention to detail is legendary. Lindka compares her work to that of her companion, sculptor Jonathan Kenworthy, whose impressive bronze of an African woman dominates one end of the drawing room.

The royal wedding dress requires that finish and detail, but it also needs a grand design - a firm sculptural shape for the first impression and the television audience. Lindka is aware of that need.

She is mindful too of Sarah's need to find a fashion niche quite apart from that of the tall, model slim and fashion conscious Princess of Wales. "Sarah has been put into that position," says Lindka. She's far more interested in people than clothes.

"I like clothes to flatter a woman; I like good quality fabrics; and I like a woman to look like a woman," she says. "I want to make women feminine, alluring and attractive. They can look sexy, but in a fun way, not by showing their bosoms."

Lindka's critics say she is too compliant, and will execute clients' dreams that it might be wiser not to realise. She dismisses, firmly but with a merry smile, the idea that she is the executor of others' ideas. "I am in a business where you have to be tactful," she said. "People love to think they have done everything themselves. But I am the designer and I create the dress myself."



Sarah Ferguson, right, is thoroughly modern but her style suggests paintings like those of Boucher, left, and Reynolds

Gleaming duchess satin with a dramatic focus on the bodice and a full swagged skirt is Sarah Ferguson's image of her romantic wedding dress. A riot of the rococo, inspired by art-lover Sarah's knowledge of 18th century painting, is the style we can expect to see.

The wedding dress will not be an Edwardian froth of lace. For Sarah sees herself not as a Gibson girl but as a Gainsborough lady.

Lindka's task will have been to make her royal bride look less like Bo Peep and more like Marie Antoinette - or

RIOT OF ROCOCO

perhaps Madame de Pompadour, who was painted by Boucher in 1759 in the ultimate rococo dress - all bows, flounces and frilled sleeves. The choice of duchess satin - rather than filmy voile, lace or Diana's silk taffeta - is a surprise at the height of the summer. But it is part of the feel for 18th century dress.

Art as the inspiration for fashion is not a novelty, even in royal circles. The fairy-tale wedding dress for Princess

Elizabeth in 1947 - also in duchess satin - was scattered with crystal and pearl embroidery taken from a Botticelli painting by Norman Hartnell. Earlier, the paintings of the Victorian Winterhalter had inspired Hartnell to create an ethereal image for Queen Elizabeth, later Queen Mother.

Lindka Cierach specializes in delicate embroidery. Her themes are likely to be personal rather than grandiose, incorporating, perhaps, the

bumble bee and thistle of Sarah's coat of arms. Jewelled anchors were favoured when the future Queen Mary married her sailor Prince in 1893. Sarah Ferguson, whose heart is in the country and whose naturalness is her greatest asset, required a dress that is graceful rather than grand.

Detail from Boucher's *Madame de Pompadour* by permission of the trustees of the Wallace Collection. *Sir Joshua Reynolds' Lady Salisbury* by permission of Hatfield House.

Quartet for one, the bridal composition



Florist Jane Packer: a love of the country and a passion for its more unusual flowers



Teresa Fairminer: lilac or russet make-up, far from the pink-tipped conventions



Denise McAdam: familiarity with long tresses and the requirement to dress them up

Lindka Cierach has naturally drawn the bulk of the attention as the designer of Sarah Ferguson's dress but there are three other women playing key roles in the making of tomorrow's bride. It is the first time a royal wedding team has been comprised entirely of women.

The members of it were chosen by strong-minded Sarah to enhance her own style rather than to reflect the surrounding pomp and pageantry.

Florist Jane Packer, 28, hairdresser Denise McAdam, 28, and make-up artist Teresa Fairminer, 35, complete a team which is determined to bring out the spontaneous warmth of Sarah Ferguson.

Jane Packer's clients would not be surprised to see the royal bride carrying a bouquet of thistles. For Jane, who started her career at 15 as a Saturday florist in her native Essex, has a passion for un-

usual flowers. She has made a name for English country flowers in the Marylebone shop she started with a £200 overdraft five years ago. "My idea of a bridal bouquet is that it should not be a solid lump, but should flow and bend and move on the way down the aisle," says Jane. The bouquet is being made up to her design by Longmans and includes a sprig of myrtle from Osborne House - grown from Queen Victoria's wedding posy of 1840.

The wild curls and lively personality of hairdresser Denise McAdam echo the bride herself. Denise, of coiffeur Michaeljohn, is familiar with long tresses and tiaras. She has worked for Princess Anne, who, like Sarah, has never wanted to cut her long locks.

Denise, trained in Edinburgh, still speaks with a strong Scottish accent. She says that long hair - especially

if it is usually worn loose - requires dressing up. For her royal client she uses a variety of effects including jewelled clips and decorative bows.

Teresa Fairminer trained as a beautician and is in the thoroughly modern school of beauty therapy that insists on understanding the body and how it functions.

We can expect to see Sarah Ferguson in the softest lilacs or gentle russets far removed from the blue eyeshadow and pastel pink lips of conventional Sloane style.

Sarah has been advised not by the glossy fashion magazine Vogue, but by its sister magazine Brides. Her hair and beauty experts, and the official wedding photographer, Albert Watson, are used to creating a fashion image for the camera. Their joint task tomorrow is to reflect modern style yet to keep in sharp focus the character, taste and individuality of the royal bride.

FLOWERS OR FENDER?

Sarah Ferguson may choose flowers as a tiara for her bride's headpiece. For she is following an unwritten royal rule that young girls - and especially commoners - wait until marriage to wear a grand tiara.

There are tiaras old, new and sapphire blue for Sarah to borrow from the royal collection. Princess Anne wore for her own wedding the family's ancestral Hanoverian diamond fringe tiara - which the Queen also wore on her wedding day.

Diana wore her own Spencer family tiara with her bridal gown, rather than the royal bow-knot tiara which the Queen gave her as a wedding gift. Sarah is also expected to receive an heirloom piece. But Princess Margaret's deep diamond tiara that she wore on her wedding day, was bought for her by the Royal Family in a Sotheby's sale.

Will Sarah say it with flowers? The young Queen Victoria chose just a simple wreath of orange blossom. A more imaginative headpiece, including Sarah's favourite ribbons and bows in flowers, could be tomorrow's choice.

Sarah has already been experimenting discreetly with floral hair ornaments, both at the grand reception for the German state visit earlier this month and with a fresh rose in her hair at a private dinner in London last week.

An elaborate flower bow, made out of the petals of white lilies decorated with bunches of grape hyacinth, was made up by royal wedding florist Jane Packer in conjunction with Sarah's hairdresser for the Queen's sbtithday gala in April. We can expect the same team effort for Sarah's bridal hair, with or without a regal "fender".

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Fortcoming marriages

Mr L.C.B. Bellan and Miss A.G. Dennis The engagement is announced between Leslie, youngest son of the late Mr and Mrs Ferdinand Bellan, and Ann, only daughter of the late Air Commodore L.C. (Ginger) Dennis and of Mrs Joyce Dennis, of Ripon, North Yorkshire.

By command of The Queen, the Viscount Long called upon the Governor-General of New Zealand and Lady Reeves this afternoon at the High Commissioner's Residence, 43 Chelsea Square, London, SW3 and, on behalf of Her Majesty, welcomed their Excellencies upon their arrival in this country.

Birthdays today

Mr Dennis Arundell, 58; Dr Sir Reginald Bennett, 75; Brigadier Lorne Campbell of the Air, VC, 84; Group Captain Hugh Dundas, 66; Mr Bryan Forbes, 60; Mr Jimmy Hill, 58; Major-General Sir Douglas Kendrew, 76; Professor Sir Ronald Mason, 56; Professor J.S. Mitchell, 77.

flagship of the Commander-in-Chief, Naval Home Command, on July 28. The Queen, accompanied by the Duke of Edinburgh, will attend a service of thanksgiving in Glasgow Cathedral, to mark its 850th anniversary, on July 29. The Queen, accompanied by the Duke of Edinburgh, will open the new Glasgow Sheriff Court House on July 29.

Luncheons

HM Government Baroness Young was host at a luncheon held yesterday at 1 Carlton Gardens in honour of the Governor-General of Belize, Commonwealth Parliamentary Association.



Golfing originals triple estimates

Three golfing paintings of the 1890s brought prices far beyond the auctioneer's expectation at Sotheby's yesterday. Charles Edmund Brock's "The Bunker" soared to £23,100 (estimate £6,500 to £8,000). "The Putt" made £20,900, and "The Drive" £18,700 against similar estimates.

Marriages

Mr S.D.R. Chick and Eaden roro S.H. Soerato The marriage took place in Jakarta, Indonesia, on Monday, July 14, of Mr Simon Derek Chick, elder son of the late Mr Derek Chick and Mrs Hazel Chick, of Epsom, and Eaden roro Shirimira Harimoro Soerato, third daughter of the late Raden Mohammad Soerato and Raden Ayu Soemarti Soerato, of Jakarta.

Receptions

HM Government Mr John Mackay, Minister for Home Affairs, Health and Social Work, at the Scottish Office, was host at a reception held at 6 Charlotte Square, Edinburgh, last night.

Science report

Lasers allow scrutiny of high-speed atoms

From Michael Binyon, Washington American scientists have successfully used beams of laser light to slow down free atoms enough to allow atomic physicists to scrutinize them.

OBITUARY DR JOHN FLETCHER Nuclear scientist who turned to genealogy and tree-ring dating

Dr John Fletcher, the distinguished nuclear scientist who led the team which perfected the process for extracting and purifying plutonium from spent fuel elements, died on July 16. He was 76.

MRS JOAN BENNETT

Mrs Joan Bennett, who died on July 20 at the age of 90, was Lecturer in English at Cambridge University from 1936 to 1964, and a Life Fellow of Girton.

CORRECTION

In the examination results from St Andrews University the name of Elizabeth J. Ashurst was omitted from the list of second-class honours, division 1, in French and German.

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Births, Marriages, Deaths and In Memoriam

- BERNARD - On 19th July, 1986, peacefully in his sleep, after a long illness, Bernard, aged 87 years, son of Mr and Mrs W. J. B. Bernard, of 10, The Grove, Bournemouth, Dorset. Buried in Bournemouth Cemetery on July 21st, 1986, aged 87 years.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

BOSSANQUET - A Service of Thanksgiving for the life of Cecil Robert Bosсанquet, who died on 13th October at St Thomas the Martyr Church, Haymarket, Newcastle-upon-Tyne.

IN MEMORIAM - PRIVATE

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Team quits WI Carr
The entire four-man team of property analysts at the stockbroker WI Carr is to leave in a month's time...

Retail sales soar 3.2% to new high

By David Smith and Derek Harris
Retail sales surged to record levels last month, after two successive monthly declines. Sales volume rose by 3.2 per cent, the biggest increase in any month since January 1982. The sharp rise is attributed to a catching up in purchases of summer clothing and footwear, postponed from May because of the poor weather. In addition, many retailers, particularly outside London, started their summer sales earlier than usual.

Shipyard jobs go despite big order
The state-owned British Shipbuilders yesterday reaffirmed its decision to axe 3,495 jobs within the next eight months, despite winning a £90m order from Denmark for 24 ferries.

ARLEN JUMPS
Arlen, the electronics group, increased its profits, before extraordinary charges, from £5.500 to £11.000 in the year to March 31. Trading profits rose by 56 per cent to £393,000.

JMB DISPOSAL
Johnson Matthey Bankers has agreed to sell Johnson Matthey and Wallace Jones New York commodity trading arm, to Mocatta Futures Corp.

SHARE INQUIRY
Home Counties Newspapers' shares are under investigation by the Stock Exchange after a 45p jump to 238p, compared with 84p earlier this year.

IFICO PURCHASE
Ifico, the Industrial Finance and Investment Corporation, is paying £4.25 million for FMW Holdings, which owns the FARR commercial insurance brokerage business based at Chelmsford, Essex.

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Sealink will claim £100m to pay for Channel losses

By Teresa Poole
Sealink, the Channel ferry operator, is to seek compensation of up to £100 million from the Government to cover the cost of redundancy payments and asset write-offs resulting from the loss of business to the planned Channel tunnel. Mr James Sherwood, president of Sea Containers which owns Sealink, also claimed yesterday he was "suspicious" that the Government might already have had an agreement with France over a future Channel link when he bought Sealink from British Rail for £66 million two years ago.

Blackwood calls for £12m

By Richard Lander
Blackwood Hodge, the earthmoving equipment franchise for the Italian Fiatallis range of earthmoving equipment which Blackwood already distributes in Canada and Africa. The franchise is expected to make an operating profit of £400,000 a year.

Beecham set to name new chief

By Alison Eadie
Lord Keith of Castleacre, chairman of Beecham Group since Sir Ronald Halstead was ousted in a boardroom coup last November, expects to announce the appointment of a new executive chairman and four new non-executive directors within the next three weeks. Lord Keith said at the company's annual meeting yesterday, that he would then resume his former position of non-executive vice chairman until his retirement next July.

TSB, a unique bargain offer

Kenneth Fleet's column is on page 19
up expenditure on pharmaceutical development to try to cut down the delays. The company has received a large number of inquiries for its home improvement products business, including the Unibond and Copydex brand names, which were officially put up for sale last month.

Gold to silver ratio leaps to record 70:1

The ratio of gold to silver prices reached a post-war record of more than 70 on the bullion markets yesterday as gold touched its highest levels in Europe for almost six months and silver remained in the doldrums on Swiss selling.

Too quick expansion' blamed for CASE loss

By Our City Staff
Over-ambitious expansion in North America led to losses of £19 million as the expected sales growth failed to materialize. The company is now considering the appointment of three additional main board directors, including a separate chief executive to head the British operations and an executive finance and marketing director.

New White House report will predict 3.5% growth

From Bailey Morris, Washington
White House officials are reacting strongly to statements by private economists that the US economy is "stagnant", "dead in the water", and "going nowhere". One Administration spokesman, attempting to dampen fears of another global recession, said yesterday that the stagnant US economy will rebound in the second half, producing stronger growth than the 2.5 per cent to 3 per cent range predicted by the US Federal Reserve Board.

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Political uncertainty helps to wipe £4.4bn from shares

By Michael Clark

Share prices took another pounding yesterday with dealers still worried about the gloomy economic news and the uncertain political outlook for the Government.

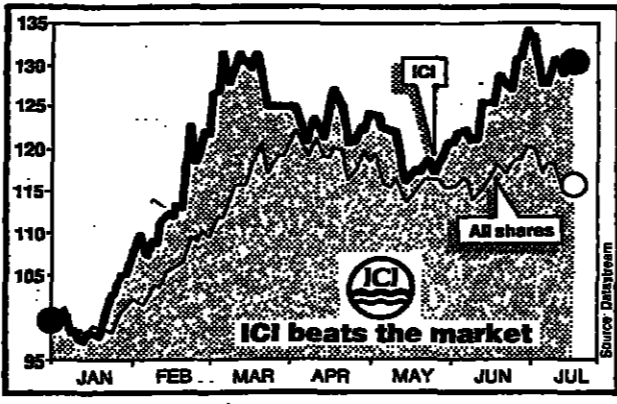
Another £4.4 billion was wiped from the value of quoted shares as jobbers continued to mark prices sharply lower. That extends the total losses on share values during the past two trading sessions to £8.3 billion.

Dealers reported few sellers, with most of the big fund managers content to watch from the sidelines. It looks as though some of the jobbers may have picked up stock at the wrong levels on the way down and there are now fears that a fierce bear squeeze may develop soon.

Blue chips suffered double-figure losses and there were also setbacks for stores and the building sectors. ICI slipped 2p to 987p ahead of its second-quarter figures on Thursday.

At this level, Home Counties is worth nearly £6 million, but there was little turnover with jobbers only prepared to make a market in 250 shares. Earlier this year, the price was trading at about 111p.

Trusthouse Forte, the hotel and leisure group, slipped 4p to 151p, while still awaiting confirmation that it was about to snap up Anchor Hotels. Happy Easter restaurants and the Welcome Break motorway service station chain from Hansa Trust. Hanson acquired the businesses following its bid for Imperial Group. THF is expected to pay about £200 million for the package.



ICI beats the market. Hanson fell another 3p to 169p after last week's placing of its shares.

EMAP, with a 20 per cent stake in the company, is the bidder. The big four high street clearing banks were a dull market ahead of the interim dividend season which opens on Friday with Lloyds Bank.

RECENT ISSUES

Table listing recent issues including Equities (ICI, Hanson, etc.), Rights Issues (Abaco Inv N/P, etc.), and Foreign Exchanges (Sterling Spot and Forward Rates).

COMMENT Kenneth Fleet Now what price the TSB flotation?

With the FT-30 share index dropping another 19 points, the market is plainly in a jittery phase. There is a clutch of reasons why this should be so - ranging from unease about the rising tide of brood money in the system, to the buffeting of Mrs Thatcher - but they do not yet add up to an irresistible argument for taking to the lifeboats.

The TSB is now confidently on course for a stock market flotation in mid-September, a prospect which should gladden the heart of every investor in the country. As the legal problems recently surmounted by the bank graphically demonstrated, the TSB is a unique institution and it is highly improbable that the City will see a flotation like this one again.

The English clearers will no doubt be the basic yardstick, but direct comparison is impossible if only because the TSB has nowhere near the same international exposure as they do. In the end the Scottish clearers may prove a better point of comparison. Beyond that, however, Sir John Read, chairman of TSB, insists that the pricing will be "competitive" to attract maximum numbers of depositors. It is hard to avoid the impression that there will be a strong element of the arbitrary in the way the final price is set which will owe more to "market feel" than the science of numbers.

Language for the future

The London Stock Exchange is gearing itself up for its autumn big bang largely to make the London time zone competitive with the Far East and New York in a global trading system. But as Lord Cockfield noted in a speech on the internal EEC market in financial services to the Trade Policy Research Centre last night: "It is remarkable that as yet no real European securities market exists."

This is chiefly the fault of other European countries that fear their bourses could not take competition from the revitalized and recapitalized market now emerging in London. Indeed, the Stock Exchange is enthusiastic about Community initiatives for exchange of information under the Interbourse Data Information System (IDIS).

Even within existing constraints, however, few have grasped the opportunities for London effectively to dominate the trading in international European equities in the way it has done in the admittedly more global Eurobond market. Some stockbrokers, such as Savory Millin, as well as jobbers and investment managers, made money out of the boom in

European bourses, but the language barrier ensures that far more attention is paid to Australia, Hong Kong or Singapore, not to mention American equities. The opportunity is shown in the Capital International analysis of world stock markets, which finds that the top 10 shares (typically the world companies) account for about half the modest capitalization of most European exchanges and three quarters in Amsterdam. Even after the British Telecom flotation, the comparable proportion in Britain is a quarter.

Undoubtedly, the big new trading companies set up for the big bang will eventually start worrying as much about annexing business in the top 100 continental companies as they are now worried about losing business in British equities across the Atlantic. Most likely, however, such initiatives will come from outsiders such as Merrill Lynch and Nomura Securities or the overseas banks that have bought into the London Stock Exchange. Foreign firms bringing an international approach to the equity market far outnumber the home teams with this perspective.

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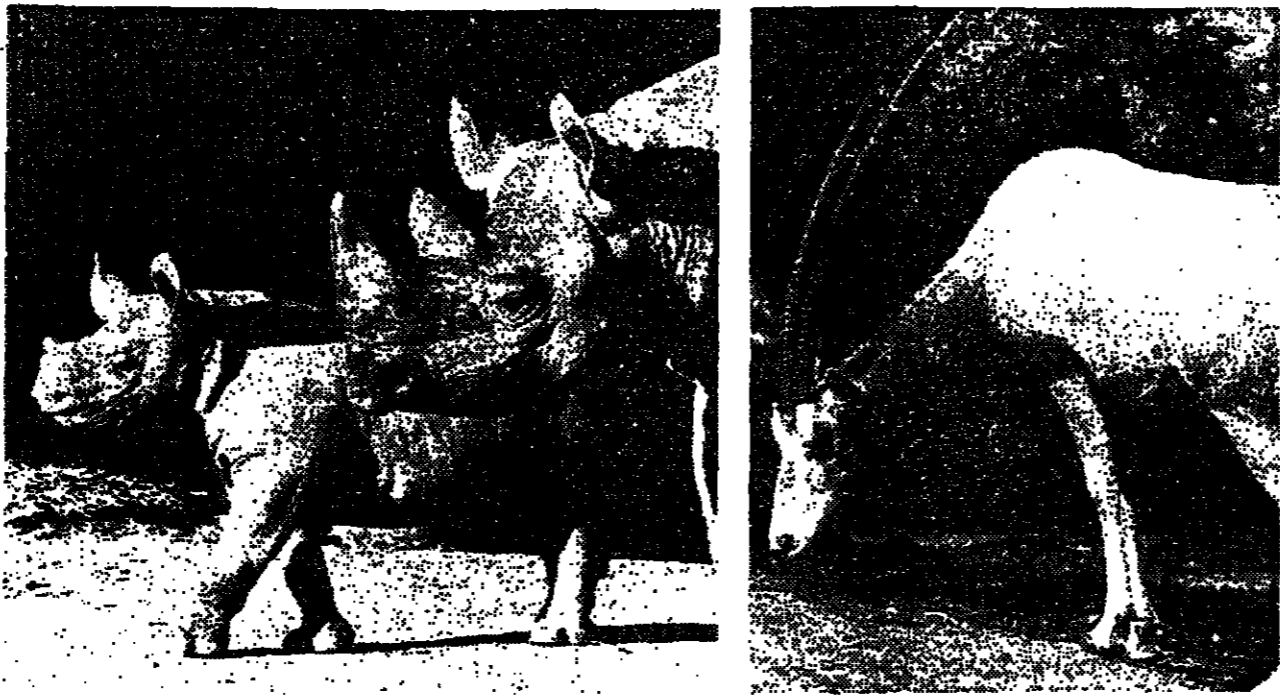
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A file on every living creature

By Maggie McLening
London Zoo is seeking computer-literate volunteers to help create a preventive medicine database for rare and endangered species. Staff at the zoo's Animal Hospital in Regents Park are compiling the database initially from the zoo's 692 resident species, but planning eventually to cover all 19,000 known species of mammals, birds and reptiles.



Regent's Park zoo is compiling data on 692 of its species. The black rhino and scimitar-horned oryx are two endangered species included in the project

When the system is opened to outside access, veterinary practices will be able to call up clinical records by computer to help treat exotic animals. Other zoos will also contribute their own general information.

Work started on the system about 15 months ago, and computer records have replaced paper reports since January 1985. Backdated records will be added for special projects and for endangered species such as the black rhino and the scimitar-horned oryx, a North American antelope being bred in British zoos to replenish stocks in the rest of the world.

Much development work has still to be done, including setting up electronic mail between London Zoo and Whipsnade. Both zoos are part of the Zoological Society of London, but sharing a

collection of animals 40 miles apart inevitably creates communication problems, many of which should be solved by the computer link. Meanwhile, Whipsnade will have direct access to the database.

The conservation co-ordinator, Dr Georgina Mace, is responsible for the £20,000 project, which is funded by the Institute of Zoology, the scientific arm of the Zoological Society of London. With assistance from four of the zoo's resident vets but, so far, only one programmer, Dr Mace has created curatorial records of the 6,000-strong

animal collection shared with Whipsnade. Details of each individually identifiable animal, such as name, age, parentage, International Species Inventory System number and place of birth are entered on-line at the hospital. Clinical records are added if it is admitted for treatment.

Dr Mace said: "We have no shortage of zoology students here during the holidays, but this year we also need volunteers with computer expertise. There are three phases to the project: firstly to establish the Regent's Park database, secondly to make it available

to outside vets and thirdly to open it up so other zoos can add comments on habitat or diet.

"In the past it has been very time-consuming finding out about, for example, the perinatal mortality of a species. The computer system should make retrieval practically instantaneous. Dr James Kirkwood, London Zoo's senior veterinary officer, said: "If we can rapidly survey the causes of disease and mortality within the zoo, we can make best use of our time and efforts in preventing future disease."

One of the problems for vets treating exotic animals is that, though they can have diagnostic tests carried out in ordinary laboratories, they may not know whether the results are normal or abnormal for a rare species.

London Zoo's database holds the results of blood tests on individual animals and automatically calculates the average for that species, so vets will be able to dial in to check their results. Dr Kirkwood also expects biochemistry, anaesthesia, growth, habitat and dietary information to be added to the system, some of which may be contributed by other zoos.

Dig deeper for the true source of dissatisfaction

By Michael Halliwell
Not very long ago one survey claimed that more than 80 per cent of office workers were dissatisfied with their computers and that only 17 per cent felt they were getting maximum benefit from them. This should come as no surprise — there are reasons why this situation exists which are often not admitted.

The huge growth in the sales of desktop micros during the past few years can be attributed directly to the development of the spreadsheet and its ability to perform "what if" type calculations. Following this came the word processor and the micro-based database.

Now we have access to a significant number of programs which, using all three, can create, merge and sort data in sophisticated ways to produce comprehensive and detailed reports and projections.

Managers persuade their bosses to spend the money to acquire computer aids to "better" management, or have the equipment imposed upon them. Junior staff and secretaries, told of this, think that all their problems are now solved and the pressure to get back on time from the pub at lunchtime will miraculously disappear.

But the managers, the junior staff, the secretaries and the salesman who goes away mentally calculating his commission, forget the basic fact that will tend to prevent the

new, exciting micro from making a positive contribution for some considerable time.

What is it? Simple. Managers can't type and secretaries can't add. Of course there are exceptions and it is the 17 per cent who are satisfied that they are getting the right sort of benefit from their investment in technology who are the exceptions.

I have seen numerate, experienced managers take several minutes to type a heading such as "Financial Projection 1985". I have seen secretaries

type the same in two seconds flat, but who cannot work out a percentage to save their lives.

Here lies a significant part of the problem. The manager who may have the mental ability to conceive complex, comprehensive numeric layouts using a spreadsheet is inhibited and ashamed by an inability to use the keyboard.

Frustration sets in. Managers convince themselves that it is quicker to do it the old way with a pencil and paper, passing the resultant mess to a secretary who sorts it out, lays it out nicely on a typewriter, produces an excellent one-off

but has no need to understand the arithmetic behind it. The cover of the micro does not come off that day — or the next.

It is no use delegating the job to a secretarial assistant. To work out precise spreadsheet formulae and layout, or database constructions can be difficult and the original conception has always to be flexible up to the point where a final version is agreed. As soon as the manager, desperately wanting a micro to earn its keep, tries delegation there is the problem of communicating ideas, the underlying mathematical concept and the whole objective.

So what's the answer? It is easier to get managers to learn a decent standard of touch-and-peck typing than it is to raise secretaries to an MBA level of business understanding. To the sellers of stand-alone micros I would suggest you include, as free software, one of the many typing tutor programs that are around.

Do not expect the micro to be productive from day one — be patient. Give time for learning; for experiment. Find the right sort of training, for yourself and your staff. It does not need to cost £4-£500 a day. Above all persevere — if the novelty wears off it is either because you have become a competent manager in an increasingly computer-conscious world, or because you haven't tried hard enough.

The manager is often inhibited by his inability to use a keyboard

Gallium arsenide for speed and reliability

By Geoff Wheelwright in Nice

Though gallium arsenide may sound like something you might put inside a cup of tea to form a potential murder weapon in fact it is one of the hottest topics in computer research laboratories at the moment.

One of the computer companies spending heavily in research in this field is Sperry — recently merged with Burroughs and a major contractor of advanced technology to the US Government. Last week, some of Sperry's top research people spoke about the company's belief that the gallium arsenide computer chip technology is crucial to the Star Wars project.

The crux of the matter is speed and reliability. Existing computer technology, based on etching computer chips partially out of silicon, is neither secure nor fast enough for the jobs that Star Wars will place on it. For some years researchers have been looking for alternative chip manufacturing materials to replace silicon.

They believe they may have found the answer in gallium arsenide — its operation is said

to be unaffected by radiation and can run at the very high speeds necessary for a computer to detect an incoming missile in time to disarm it.

According to Dr Joseph Mathias, Sperry's vice president of research and technology, gallium arsenide chips are expensive to produce — but prove highly suitable to specialised applications. Dr Mathias said gallium arsenide will also eventually be used in conventional computer systems — starting with the mainframe. But he emphasised that the possible benefits of gallium arsenide research to Star Wars are still a few years off. "I don't expect that gallium arsenide will be in high-speed digital computer systems until at least 1992," Dr Mathias predicts.

The first non-military application of gallium arsenide is likely to be in a supercomputer manufactured by the US-based Cray computer company. These are so powerful and expensive, that it is usually only large government departments or huge corporations which can find the money to finance them.

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The profession is undergoing a period of rapid development and this post will be at the hub of the Society's affairs. It calls for an active interest in such matters together with a grasp of the principles of

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If you are a qualified lawyer, preferably an admitted solicitor with a good knowledge of company law and some experience of committee work we would like to hear from you.

The salary offered will be within the range £15,015 - £21,468 and the Society offers the benefits of a contributory pension scheme, 23 days leave a year, season ticket loans and a subsidised luncheon room.

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THE LAW SOCIETY



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The department engages in all aspects of corporate and individual tax and associated planning work, especially in the context of international business, and some experience of international tax planning would be useful. The rewards, professionally and financially, are very attractive.

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If you would like further information, ring John Goodwin, Chief Prosecuting Solicitor, on 0245 252939.

Application form and further details for the above posts available from the County Personnel Officer, County Hall, Chelmsford, CM1 1LX (0245 267222, ext. 2017)
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Write in confidence by the 1st of August, giving full details of education, experience, employment, present salary, and date available to: Personnel Manager, Legal Aid, Legal Aid Head Office, The Law Society, Newspaper House, 8-16 Great New Street, London, EC4A 3BN.

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F. C. Shepherd and Co Ltd v Jerrom... Lord Justice Mustill and Lord Justice Balcombe

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CRICKET: HAMPSHIRE AND GLOUCESTERSHIRE WIN BY AN INNINGS

Halt and lame battle on to give hope to Lancashire

By John Woodcock, Cricket Correspondent
CANTERBURY: Kent, with nine second innings wickets in hand, need 129 runs to beat Lancashire.

When Ellison picked up Abrahams and Maynard cheaply, and Igglesden took a useful wicket, Lancashire were 95 for five. Being halt and lame, they did rather well to get another 70. It needed two good catches in fact to keep them down to that, one by Ellison at mid-off and a juggling effort by Cowdrey at slip. Batting was often hazardous, as it probably will be today.

Lancashire's second innings was given a brisk start by Mendis and Fowler, whose partnership of 69 in 15 overs, the highest of the match, was helped by their being on the field when Ellison had removed them both in the same over, runs were hard to come

Bainbridge carries on where Walsh left off

By Alan Gibson
BRISTOL: Gloucestershire (24 1st) beat Somerset (4) by an innings and five runs.
On Saturday Gloucestershire were out for 308 and had taken six Somerset wickets for 85. Yesterday morning Somerset were all out for 147 and were required to follow on. The loss of Marks and Harden made a stand and then Dredge and a biffing Garner, but the innings defeat was not saved.

Gloucestershire will have been glad to have got the match done and the evening sky grew grey. They have never, strictly speaking, won the championship - it was an unofficial affair when they were last head of the list - but they have a side this season with the right balance and enthusiasm. Gloucestershire's first innings: 308 (80.3 overs, C.W.J. Athey 55, P. Bainbridge 51, J. Garner 49 for 59).

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Glamorgan trailing

Glamorgan made 307 for five at St Helens. Swansea, which still they are still 182 runs behind Northamptonshire (Peter Marson victory). Morris made 90, Younis 66, and Ontong begins again this morning on 67. There can have been few, if any, to have relished the thought of padding up to face the bowling at Swansea, where Glamorgan, at 13 for no wicket, stood 476 runs behind Northants.

YESTERDAY'S OTHER SCOREBOARDS

Table with 3 columns: Match, Score, and Extras. Includes Derbys v Middlesex, Glams v Northants, Leicester v Sussex, and Ireland held on to draw their game with MCC in Dublin.



Pick of the day: Ken Rutherford is bowled by Andy Pick. Coney hit in face before first Test

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Entertainment section containing various listings for cinema, television, and other leisure activities. Includes titles like 'The Untouchables', 'The Untouchables', and 'The Untouchables'.

Today's television and radio programmes

Edited by Peter Dear and Peter Davalle

BBC 1

6.00 Breakfast AM. 6.50 Breakfast Time with Nick Ross in the studio and Debbie Greenwood from a viewpoint overlooking...

TV-AM

6.15 Good Morning Britain presented by Anne Diamond and Nick Owen. News with Gordon Honeycombe at 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00.

ITV LONDON

9.25 Thames news headlines followed by a programme Beneath the Sea. A look at crowned blennies. Little fish that change colour...

BBC 2

6.55 Open University: Biology - Looking at Cells. Ends at 7.20. 9.00 Cereflex. 9.25 News summary with subtitles. Weather.

CHANNEL 4

2.15 Their Lordships' House. (r) 2.30 Film: Distant Drums (1951) starring Gary Cooper.

Radio 4

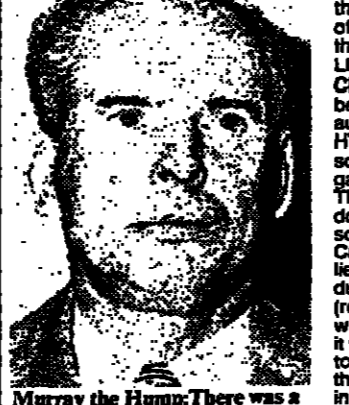
On long wave. VHF variations at end. 5.55 Shipping. 6.00 News. 6.18 Farming. 6.25 Prayer (r).

Radio 3

On medium wave. VHF variations at end. 6.55 Weather. 7.00 News. 7.05 The Phaedon. Chopin (Etude for left hand, Op No 3).

Radio 2

On medium wave. VHF variations at end. News on the half-hour 6.30am until 8.30pm then at 10.30 and 12.00 midday.



Murray the Hump. There was a Crooked Man. ITV, 10.50pm

There is, clearly, no limit to the ubiquitousness or versatility of the Welsh. And no end to their ability to surprise us. Don Llewellyn's 'THERE WAS A CROOKED MAN' (10.50pm), bearing the stamp of...

mind the rough-hewn style. The same goes for Peter Yeldham, who has scripted this three-part life of RLS. Tonight, after a gallop through the creative process...

10.00 piano/orchestra (Anne Quelfelec, piano) Land Nocturnes. New York Philharmonic (under Bernstein), with Previn (piano) and Vachon (trumpet).

11.57 VHF variations: 6.35 Open University. 6.55am. Modern art: Breton and Trotsky.

ENTERTAINMENTS

CONCERTS: BARNHAM HALL 6.20-7.00/6.50-7.30. 7.30-8.15. 8.15-9.00. 9.00-9.45. 9.45-10.30. 10.30-11.15. 11.15-12.00.

THEY'RE BACK! THE NATIONAL THEATRE. THE PHANTOM OF THE OPERA. THE HIT MUSICAL COMEDY.

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THEATRES

APOLLO THEATRE. THEATRE ROYAL. THEATRE ROYAL PATENT.

CINEMAS

BARNHAM HALL. THEATRE ROYAL. THEATRE ROYAL PATENT.

ART GALLERIES

AGNEW GALLERY. GOSWOLD GALLERY. THE GOSWOLD GALLERY.

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